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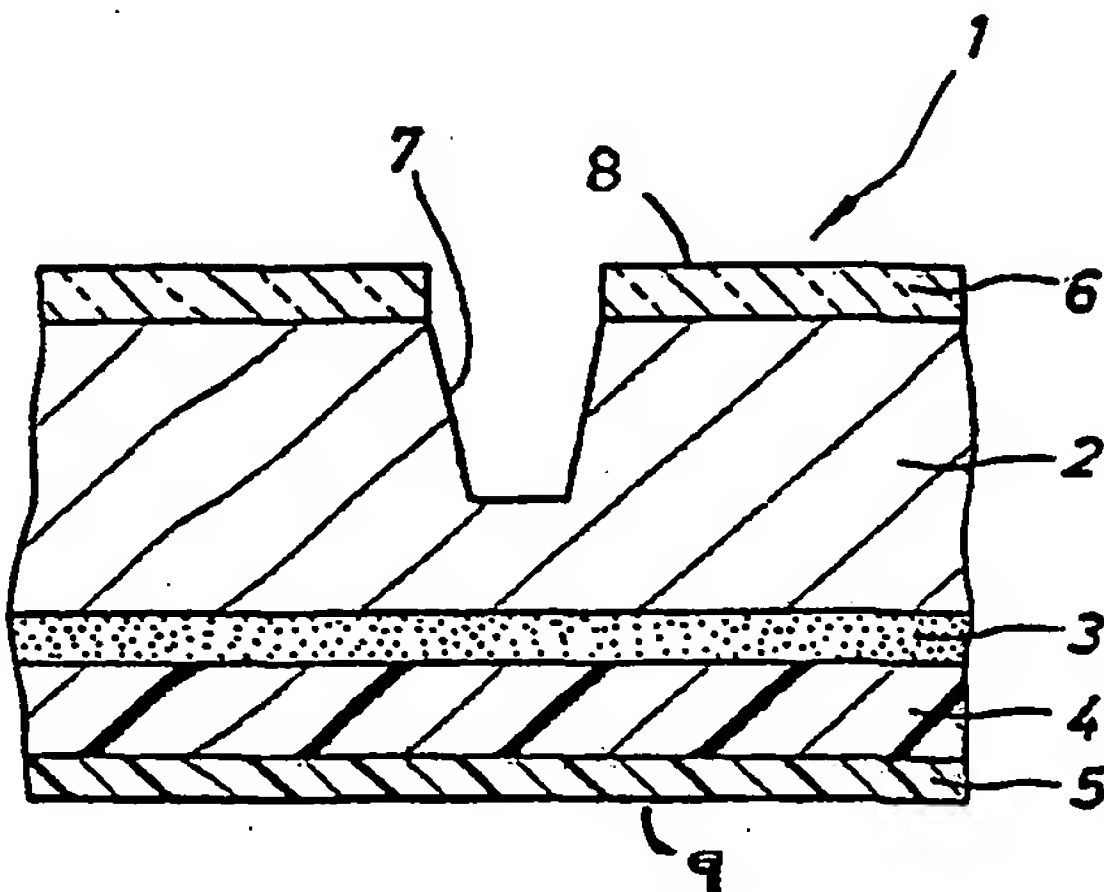
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tainer, and a method of manufacturing the end are disclosed. The  
metal container is manufactured from a can body and two can ends,  
one of which is easily openable. The easily openable can end is  
manufactured from a metal substrate having a score line on its ex-  
ternal surface that permits easy removal of at least a portion of the  
can end from the can body. The score line of the easily openable  
can end is coated with an irradiation-curable coating composition  
that imparts corrosion resistance along the score line of the easily  
openable can end.